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**January, 2015**

**San Diego Rod and Reel Club**

**(619) 277-0255**

## Club Meeting

January 8<sup>th</sup> at the Bali Hai  
**Speaker: Sergio Fainsztein**  
Happy Hour 6:30  
Meeting: 7:00



**President**  
**Alex Williamson**

I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday Season, I know I had a great time having everyone home once again, although Santa's wallet is lighter for it.

A huge Thank You to the following people; Michael & Margie Williams for being Santa and Mrs. Santa, to Gary, Tom, and Rhonda for the tribute to Lou's memory, and Curtis for doing the gift exchange. Also, I would like to thank Tim Foote for helping me with the speaker arrangements. Our next meeting will be back at our home the Bali Hai on the **SECOND THURSDAY** the 8th of January.

Don't forget the Banquet is right around the corner. We will be at Pinnacle Peak Steakhouse in Lakeside this year on Sunday, February 8th. Yes, they moved. Talk with Rhonda or Tom for more information. We

will have tickets for sale at our next meeting, so get your tickets early! We also need some people to donate a small amount of time to help set everything up.

Many of you know that we had several positions on the board to fill. I would like to welcome Norm Campbell, Charles Hammer, Gabriel Segura and Don Fradette to the board. Norm is one of the best fishermen I have ever had the pleasure to fish with. He was the Chief Marketing Officer for a large company until he retired and we will be glad to add his experience to our club. Charles, like me, never gets enough time to get on the water, but his son Henry has been slaying the Halibut. Don, most of you know him as Lou's Step son, we are lucky to have him and his buddy Gabriel on the board. We are still 1 or 2 people short to make it a full board, but we do have some on the fence and they will hopefully come aboard at the next meeting. YOU can still get on the board; it is a great way to give back to your community and to add a voice to ideas on how to make this an even better club. If you can spare a little of your time, please give me a call.  
"Fish On!"

Alex Williamson

## Picture of the Month



Curt Itogawa and his First Landed Wahoo! WTG Curt ...  
Wahooooo!!!



**VP**  
**Rhonda Ito**

Hello FCM's,

Well, 2014 has come to end and, once again, it is time to reflect on what the year brought us. This year was a spectacular year for fishing. It was some of the best fishing we have seen in years. Boats of every size were out on the water going for Tuna and Yellowtail, the launch ramp looked like a scene from the movie Jaws. The bait receiver had a hard time keeping up with

supply and demand, and we were even catching Wahoo off our coastal waters. The fishing Gods were good to us in this area.

On the other hand, the fishing community lost several of their finest, and they will be missed. Their devotion and dedication to the community, kids and our club will never be forgotten.

As you begin 2015, take a moment to look around you and cherish what you have. Your new board for 2015 is excited for their new adventure and ready to take charge. Tom and I ask that you show them the same respect you have shown us for the past several years. It has been an honor to serve on the board and we look forward to seeing everyone at the January meeting.

Speaking of the January meeting, we will be outside for our meeting ... so dress accordingly.

Tom and Rhonda



**Weigh Master**  
**Curt Itogawa**

The tournament season for the club has concluded for the 2014 calendar year. Our next tournament is scheduled for late March 2015, but there are plenty of activities to keep our members busy until then. This February the club will be helping Captain Ron Baker at the Lake Poway's Kid Fishing Derby, and then the next day is the club's Award Banquet. During early March the club will host a swap meet, and the Fred Hall Show starts in Long Beach.

I went on a ten day fishing trip on the Red Rooster III ... please check out the insert story and pictures of the trip.

Until our next weigh-in, stay safe and have fun.

Curtis Itogawa.



**Raffle Master**  
**Ellie Duchene**

Hello FCM'S,

We will have a great raffle for you at the next meeting, with many chances to win. If you wish to see something on the table, feel free to make a suggestion. We want the table to be an exciting one for you and everybody else. The more tickets we sell, the better our raffle table will be the following month! So, break out those wallets and have your chance at winning something special.

You might see me with a couple of casts on! Yes, I had a fall and broke my left wrist and my right elbow, but I'm okay. Besides, I have my son and 4 grandkids here to help!

Hope to see you at the January meeting buying raffle tickets!!!

ROLL THE BARREL!!!  
Ellie



**PR Director  
Tim Foote**

We had a great presentation from Bill Boyce at our December meeting. He showed an amazing video of a rarely fished spots South of Fiji. It was interesting to see all the different species that they caught. Just about every fish they brought in was large!



Our speaker for January is Sergio Fainsztein of Cedros Adventures. He will speak about the fantastic fishing at Cedros Island, which is on the Pacific coast in the middle of Baja. Check out their web site at <http://cedrosadventures.com/>



Cedros Adventures was the 1<sup>st</sup> fishing resort established on Cedros Island. It was founded by two pilots (Tuna Spotting Pilots) Adrian Ojeda and Tom Greene. They have beautiful resort accommodations and, of course, the fishing for yellowtail and large calico bass is usually excellent there.

See you at the meeting.  
Tim Foote



**Membership  
Margie Williams**

Happy New Year, Club Members!

I hope you all enjoyed the holidays with friends and family and that you are looking forward to a healthy and fun 2015!

Even though we had a ton of members sign up at the end of 2014, it's never too late to sign up you and your family for 2015! Individuals cost \$60 and families are just an additional \$10. If you have misplaced your badge or never got one, you can always order one for just \$5.

It has been a fun ride being the Membership Director for the club for the past two years, but I am looking forward to handing over the reins to someone new. Thank you!

Until then, keep your lines wet...

-Margie



**Editor**  
**Gary Mouritzen**

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Hello FCM's,

What a great fishing year we had! I am really looking forward to another great fishing season! The chants and prayers to the Fish Gods have taken place, just look at the circle of dead grass in my backyard!!! I had some personal bests for the year, as well as fulfilled personal bests for passengers on my boat.

I also learned a lot this year... some good experiences and some not so pleasant, but they were all learning lessons. I would say that if you're not learning anything new, then you're not trying to be the best that you can be. There's a "Definition of Insanity" whereby you are doing the same thing over and over again while expecting different results. This

industry is so grand that it's impossible to stop learning new things. Keep an open mind and you just might get that big fish you hope for as a result of doing something different.

I also learned about some new fishing grounds by "exploring" different areas. Sorry, I cannot tell you about my newly found spots, but they produced well for me! Why do you think some of our best anglers always win tournaments? It's time on the water, exploring, finding, researching, etc. Some of us (such as me) don't have as much time on my hands to explore so much, and it's hard to get people to give up their secrets, but get out there and discover the most that you can.

Now, I've talked about people who have the time to get out there to find and discover, so take advantage of their time. For example, half day and three quarter day boats are out there all the time. Take a ride with them to discover new areas... places you might not have thought of exploring. I know of a ½ day trip I did this year (even though I have my own boat) and was introduced to some new areas.

Big party boats are also a lot of fun for the kids. There's more room for them, vs. on my 21 footer, to walk around and burn off that young energy. Plus there are deck hands who love to help. Yes, you are at the mercy of the captain, but when it comes to kids, we want to make sure they have the most

enjoyable experience. After that, you have a fishing buddy for life and there's nothing more rewarding than that!

I would also like to give a special thank you to those who have done business with me this year. As you can see from my logo, I do home loans. I am ethical, professional, communicate throughout the transaction and deliver what I promise. It's just the way I've been doing business for the last 21 years!

Rates are very low right now, and coming off the holidays, you might want to look into consolidating debt. I saved one family \$1,600 per month by doing this. That's a lot of money! People also took money out to do home improvements (bathroom remodels, kitchen remodels, landscape, etc.), ultimately improving the value of their homes.

If you don't own anything, I have first time home buyer programs with up to \$70,000 in down payment assistance! I have made home buying dreams a reality by using these programs. There's no better feeling than hearing about the client crying with joy while signing their final loan documents, and the pouring of "thank you's" afterwards.

What can I say... I love my job, and I love fishing with my kids!

Now Get Bent!  
Gary

## The Red Rooster III, by Curt Itogawa

We returned to San Diego on December 23rd with 25 happy anglers. We managed to catch 225 Wahoo in the first two days of fishing at the Rock. After ten years of hooking wahoo, but never landing one, I finally caught my first. I caught three more that first afternoon and the largest yellowtail of the trip on a Wahoo bomb. I ended up with nine Wahoo for the trip. With one RSW hole filled with Wahoo we headed for the upper end of the Ridge.

We spent the next two days filling the second hole with school size tuna, yellowtails and a few more Wahoo. Having plenty of tuna and yellowtail in the fifteen to thirty pound range, we moved to the Southern Bank to try for the larger Yellowfin Tuna. There we found the larger tuna unwilling to bite, but more of the twenty to thirty pounders on the chew. Club member Rick Beck managed a forty pound class tuna first thing in the morning. The largest tuna of the day was a ninety plus pound fish, caught on a 40 pound test rented rod. The second day I managed to catch a sixty-four and a half pound tuna, that held on to be the second place jackpot fish.

The weather came up overnight and fishing became unmanageable. The weather looking poor for the next few days, so we used this day to travel north to Cedros Island. We relaxed in the lee of the island, catching a variety of fish and more yellows. From there we moved to San Martin Island to fish our last morning. We found 65 degree water and more yellowtails willing to bite. Fellow club members Rick Beck, Dave Rehrer and I felt this was one of our most pleasant long range trips ever. So, thank you to Andy Cates and the crew of the Red Rooster III.

Curt Itogawa



<b>SAN DIEGO ROD REEL CLUB 2014 WEIGHT RECEIPT LIST</b>						Dec. 2014	
<b>LOCAL SPECIES (Plaques)</b>	<b>Lbs.</b>	<b>Name (Men's)</b>	<b>Lbs.</b>	<b>Name (Women's)</b>	<b>Lbs.</b>	<b>Name (Juniors)</b>	
<b>Albacore (Local)</b>							
<b>Big Eye Tuna (Local)</b>							
<b>Barracuda (Local)</b>	5.81	Dennis Burlason					
<b>Bluefin Tuna (Local)</b>	31.9	Roman Lira					
<b>Bonito (Local)</b>	10.5	Gary Mouritzen	7.5	Mille Velez	1.9	Gabriel Mouritzen	
<b>Calico Bass</b>	9	Dennis Burlason			1.88	Marco Mouritzen	
<b>Rockfish</b>	6.8	Norm Campbell	5.1	Nancy Ortiz	2.8	Matt Jordan	
<b>Dorado (Local)</b>	24.38	John Plemons					
<b>Halibut (Local)</b>	18.04	Curt Itogawa	35	DJ Lugwig	19.3	Henry Hammer	
<b>Lingcod (Local)</b>	23	John Ashley	16.5	Millie Velez			
<b>Mako Shark (Local)</b>							
<b>Sand Bass</b>	3.6	Foote/Howerton	2.36	Shelly Cochlin	1.86	Conner Bennett	
<b>Spotted Bay Bass</b>	2	Rolly Lira			1.18	Henry Hammer	
<b>Striped Marlin (Local)</b>	Rel.x2	John Ashley	121	Millie Velez			
<b>White Sea Bass (Local)</b>							
<b>Yellowfin Tuna (Local)</b>	32.19	Dennis Burlason	19.4	Millie Velez	19.9	Trevor Trussell	
<b>Yellowtail (Local)</b>	29.4	Rex Finney					
<b>SPECIES +150 Miles (Certificates)</b>							
<b>Blue Marlin</b>							
<b>Dorado (+150)</b>	20.82	Gary Mouritzen					
<b>Halibut (+150)</b>							
<b>Sailfish (+150)</b>	Rel.	Tom Gruber					
<b>Wahoo (+150)</b>	54.06	Paul White					
<b>Yellowfin Tuna (+150)</b>	19.31	Paul White					
<b>Yellowtail (+150)</b>	23	Paul White					
<b>Albacore (+150)</b>							
<b>Barracuda (+150)</b>							
<b>Big Eye Tuna (+150)</b>							
<b>Bluefin Tuna (+150)</b>							
<b>Bonito (+150)</b>							
<b>Lingcod (+150)</b>							
<b>Mako Shark (+150)</b>							
<b>Striped Marlin (+150)</b>	Rel.x3	Tom Gruber					
<b>White Sea Bass (+150)</b>							
<b>Roosterfish</b>	16.3	Curt Itogawa					
<b>Honorable mentions:</b>							
<b>1st Local Striped Marlin (caught or released) Millie Velez, (2)</b>							
<b>1st Albacore</b>							
<b>1st Yellowfin (Local)</b>	<b>18.19</b>	<b>Curt Itogawa</b>					
<b>1st Yellowtail (Local)</b>	29.4	Rex Finney					
<b>1st Dorado (Local)</b>	24 38	John Plemons					

You must submit an official weight receipt or weigh-in during a club tournament in order to be listed.



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2015  
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## **Upcoming Events**

- **January 8<sup>th</sup>** – Club Meeting at the Bali Hai
- **February 5<sup>th</sup>** – Club Meeting at the Bali Hai
- **February 7<sup>th</sup>** – Poway Lakes Trout Derby / Hotdogs
- **February 8<sup>th</sup>** – SDRRC Awards Banquet
- **March 5<sup>th</sup>** – Club Meeting
- **March 4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>** – Fred Hall Show in Long Beach
- **March 26<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>** – Fred Hall Show in San Diego